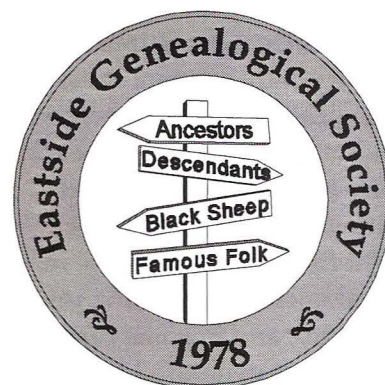


# EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

## BULLETIN BOARD

The Eastside Genealogical Society  
P.O. Box 374  
Bellevue WA 98009-0374  
<http://www.rootsweb.com/~wakcegs/>



Bellevue, Washington

Vol. XXIII No. 2

July 2004

### EGS GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

**Date:** Thursday, July 8, 2004  
**Time:** 6:30 PM Welcome new members,  
Supply table open  
7:00 PM Meeting  
**Place:** Bellevue Regional library  
**Subject:** "Czech It Out"  
**Speaker:** Rosie Bodien, EGS Member and  
Czech/Slovak SIG Chair

#### ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Rosie Bodien is a member of EGS and the Chair of the Czech/Slovak Special Interest Group. She will talk about the ins and outs of Czech research.

#### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

It is interesting and I think appropriate to reflect on how a national event such as the recent passing of former President Ronald Reagan affects, not necessarily our lives, but our thoughts of the past. It is certainly a time of national mourning, but also a time of remembrance. It takes us back years and even decades and causes us to reflect on our own lives and where we were and what we were doing at the time. In my own case, I vaguely remember 1966 and an invitation to a meeting at the Eugene Field Elementary School in Glendale, California. I can remember sitting in a small classroom at a desk designed for six year olds. My wife and I were there to meet the former movie star Ronald Reagan and listen to his argument for being elected Governor of the State of California. Our presence was a simple matter of fate and of no particular importance in and of itself, but I think an interesting life event that can and should be shared with future generations.

Can't you just imagine, a hundred years from now, our great-great grandchildren seeing evidence that they had an ancestor that shook the hand of the President of the United States?

My point is that most of us take little time to preserve thoughts, ideas, and events that do gain importance, as the years pass, to the future members of our families who become interested in learning all they can find about their heritage. I was born in the early thirties to parents who were then in their mid-forties. I can count on one hand the comments that I can remember them making about their childhood and by the time I became interested in their early lives they were gone, along with their siblings. I was left with only scads of pictures with no identification and no written remembrances of their lives. Researching public records is my only avenue into their pasts.

My experience caused me to suggest to my family, and to myself, the idea of starting to document life events. About ten years ago, I gave each member a leather bound diary with their name embossed on the cover and asked them to start a routine of recording whatever they wanted preserved for the future. Has it worked? I don't really know for the others, but for me I am pleased as to how it stimulates my thought process. As they say "it's better to get 'em when they're young," so you may want to try it, and by the way, have you ever considered inviting a child or grandchild to a Society meeting?

[Bill Sperber, EGS President]

#### CORRECTION

In the article about a day trip to Alki Log Cabin Museum, I incorrectly put the open hours as week-day hours when the correct times are 12:00 – 3:00 PM weekends.

### JUNE PROGRAM SUMMARY

Gary Zimmerman, President of the Fiske Genealogical Foundation, presented a program on "End of Life Records" at our June 10 meeting. Many records are generated at the time of one's death. Gary described the kinds of records we might find, which ones are most likely to contain genealogically interesting information, where to find them, and in some cases how they originated.

Records generated by events before one's death include the Will, Power of Attorney, Adult Guardianship, and Ante-nuptial Agreement. Most common is the Will or "Last Will and Testament," that today is the combination of a Will which bequeaths real property and a Testament which bequeaths personal property. Before any will can be admitted for Probate, its validity must be judged by an appropriate court officer. Factors in this judgment are the date of the will and whether any later ones have been found, whether it was witnessed, and if it is oral the testimony of the witnesses. A will can be changed by writing a Codicil which is signed and witnessed, and clearly identifies the will to which it is appended.

Records generated at the time of death relate to verification of death, funeral arrangements, disposal arrangements, and memorial arrangements. Verification of death will most commonly be the attending physician's statements on a Death Certificate, but in cases of unknown circumstances or suspected criminal activity there might also be statements by the Medical Examiner, an Autopsy Report, or the report of a Coroner's Inquest. Funeral arrangements may be recorded by a Funeral Home or Mortuary in Arrangements Interviews, and may be published in a Death Notice or an Obituary. Disposal arrangements may result in Burial Permits and cemetery records of the location and date of burial, or of cremation and placement in a Columbarium. Gravestones and other memorials may contain genealogical information. Funeral homes today seem to be consolidating, often with Canadian owners who follow the more strict privacy rules that exist in Canada, making access more difficult for genealogists.

Perhaps the most productive source of end-of-life records is the process of Probate, the court-

supervised distribution of one's estate. In Testate Estates, where a Last Will and Testament was prepared and proved, distribution follows the specifications of the Will. In Intestate Estates, where there is no Will, distribution follows the dictates of state law. In some states (eastern and southern) Dower Rights dictate the distribution of Intestate Estates among the widow/widower and the children. In community property states (including Washington,) an Intestate Estate will be distributed to the widow/widower if any, otherwise to other heirs in the priority order specified in the law. Probate generates many records: Petition for Authority, proving the will, appointment of an Executor, posting of bond, inventory, public notice, appointment of guardians for minors or incompetents, Authority for Sale of Assets, periodic accountings to the court, distribution to the heirs and filing of their receipts, and Termination of Probate. Most of these will be kept in a Probate File, but some records might be found in the Minutes and Miscellaneous Papers of the court, or in "invalid wills" not admitted for probate.

Probate records and indexes of probate records may be found in the collection of the LDS Family History Library. Another source of probate re-

records in a number of states is SAMPUBCO, a commercial firm accessible at [www.sampubco.com](http://www.sampubco.com). Probate records for the King County Superior Court are filed at the Regional State Archives on the Bellevue Community College campus.

Gary covered a very large subject, but he gave us a reference for further study: *American Family Laws* in 5 volumes, by Chas. Vernier, in the Reference Section, Genealogy Dept., of the Seattle Public Library. You might also want to watch for other discussions by Gary at the Fiske Genealogical Library.

[Submitted by Gene Fagerberg]

### LIBRARY BRAINSTORMING FOR BRICK WALL SOLUTIONS

The third Tuesday night, June 15th, six of us gathered at the Bellevue Regional Library to see how helpful brainstorming might be in solving some of our genealogical problems.

Virgil Morgan was searching for his direct line in Georgia and needed to go to earlier census re-

All of your  
ancestors  
settled in  
Chicago.  
Every time  
you can't find  
something  
about them  
you curse  
Mrs.  
O'Leary's cow.

cords, land records, War of 1812, and local history books.

Barbara Zanzig produced a Records Selection Table which gives lots of places to look for specific information.

Winnie Sihon was sent to town, school, and church records for the parents of her Eber Carpenter born in CT, married in Lima, NY, and eventually settled in Washtenaw Co., Michigan.

Jan Henderson needed the first name of a great-great-grandfather White who was a shoemaker in NY. She was advised to call the town historian, library, or genealogical society and ask which records were available for that time period: directories, newspapers, town histories.

Barbara Miller had great-great-grandparents, John and Anna (Anderson) Hart, who had come from Sweden to Henry County, IL between 1846 and 1853. She needs to find their ship & their hometown in Sweden.

Carol Pattison offered to look for some of these families in the Immigration Index she has on disk. We urged Barbara to contact the Scandinavian Interest Group, and call for information regarding Canadian town and church records where they later moved. Meanwhile, a woman dropped in wanting to start doing genealogy and Barbara Zanzig helped her.

Now we all have our homework and multiple paths to follow. The next session will be Tuesday night, 7:00 to 9:00 PM in Conference Room 6 at Bellevue Regional Library on July 20th.

[Submitted by Winnie Sihon, Library Chair]

#### INTERNET REUNITES FATHER AND SON AFTER 58 YEARS

Bill Iahn had few memories of his only child besides two pictures: one showed him as a young soldier with a dimple-chinned baby in a high chair, and another was a portrait of his son on a rocking horse with the inscription, "To My Daddy, Dec. 25, 1945." A divorce shortly thereafter resulted in Iahn's ex-wife spiriting the baby away with a promise to the father that he would never see the son again.

The mother remarried and changed the baby's surname. She was believed to be in Arizona. Bill Iahn searched through phone books over the years but never found a clue. Even an Arizona state trooper who was Iahn's friend long ago tried to find the baby but was unable to do so. In recent years, his other relatives scoured the Internet. At age 87, Iahn had given up on seeing his son's face again.

Then one day this fall, Iahn's great-nephew, Denny Huff, was chatting with a friend and mentioned his Uncle Bill's long-lost son. The friend happened to be a genealogy buff who conducted some research on Ancestry.com. She typed the name William Iahn and found his marriage to Thelma Theodosia Harold. Checking a bit further, the friend found Thelma's death listed in 1984. Beneath it was an intriguing line:

Child of William IAHN and Thelma Theodosia HAROLD is . . . Living TREACY.

Looking still further produced a record of Thelma's marriage to a man named Treacy, not too long after her divorce from Iahn.

If you want to read a great story of a family reunited, look at: [www.cnn.com/2003/US/Midwest/12/25/relatives.united.ap/](http://www.cnn.com/2003/US/Midwest/12/25/relatives.united.ap/)

[From [cnn.com](http://cnn.com)]

#### THE COST OF THE U.S. CENSUS

This lists the amount it cost the U.S. government to take the Federal Census for each of the census years 1790-2000.

| Yr   | Population  | Census Cost     | Cost Per Person |
|------|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| 1790 | 3,929,214   | \$44,377        | 1.13 cents      |
| 1800 | 5,308,483   | \$66,109        | 1.24 cents      |
| 1810 | 7,239,881   | \$178,445       | 2.46 cents      |
| 1820 | 9,633,822   | \$208,526       | 2.16 cents      |
| 1830 | 12,866,020  | \$378,545       | 2.94 cents      |
| 1840 | 17,069,458  | \$833,371       | 4.88 cents      |
| 1850 | 23,191,876  | \$1,423,351     | 6.14 cents      |
| 1860 | 31,443,321  | \$1,969,377     | 6.26 cents      |
| 1870 | 38,558,371  | \$3,421,198     | 8.87 cents      |
| 1880 | 50,155,783  | \$5,790,678     | 11.54 cents     |
| 1890 | 62,979,766  | \$11,547,127    | 18.33 cents     |
| 1900 | 76,303,387  | \$11,854,000    | 15.54 cents     |
| 1910 | 91,972,266  | \$15,968,000    | 17.07 cents     |
| 1920 | 105,710,620 | \$25,117,000    | 23.76 cents     |
| 1930 | 122,775,046 | \$40,156,000    | 32.71 cents     |
| 1940 | 131,669,275 | \$67,527,000    | 51.29 cents     |
| 1950 | 151,325,798 | \$91,462,000    | 60.44 cents     |
| 1960 | 179,323,175 | \$127,934,000   | 71.34 cents     |
| 1970 | 203,302,031 | \$247,653,000   | \$1.22          |
| 1980 | 226,542,199 | \$1,078,488,000 | \$4.76          |
| 1990 | 248,718,301 | \$2,492,830,000 | \$10.02         |
| 2000 | 281,421,906 | \$4.5 Billion   | \$15.99         |

Source...

Gauthier, Jason G., *Measuring America: The Decennial Censuses From 1790-2000*, (U.S. Bureau of the Census/Dept of Commerce,) Washington: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2002, Appendix A, Page A-1. The numbers in the fourth column are not included in the book and were added.

#### SGS

This may benefit those of you who are looking for information on early Seattle deaths prior to 1907, which is the year that the State began requiring

registration of deaths. Prior to 1907 the city of Seattle and its county, King County, required registration of deaths. Due to the hard work and diligence of the South King County Genealogical Society, there are two books—one for the City of Seattle (1881-1907) and one for the County of King (1891-1907)—abstracts of these early records. The information they contain are—number, name, date of death, age, sex, where born, place of death, cause of death, duration of disease, occupation, color, married or single, widow or widower, place of interment, attending physician or coroner, and remarks. The certificate may have some spaces left blank (just like death certificates today.)

You may be interested to know that the Seattle Genealogical Society has these microfilms. We offer a research service and this is one of the many things we may be able to help you find. Check out the terms of our research service—we would be glad to help, if this is a document you would find helpful. Basically, we request a nonrefundable \$10 donation (if possible; up to 3 names per donation,) and a business-size SASE. A couple of extra, loose 23-cent stamps (returnable) are a good idea, too.

[www.rootsweb.com/~waseags/research.html](http://www.rootsweb.com/~waseags/research.html)

*[From Sherry Steele (Director of Communications, SGS, Seattle)]*

### GENEALOGY IN THE COURTS

The U.S. Supreme Court has affirmed the rights of descendants of holders of 1843 Spanish land grants in Colorado's San Luis Valley. Presumably, genealogies as well as land titles will have to be

traced for these people to claim their rights.



The Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal of a Colorado high court decision that concluded descendants of the original

settlers owned rights handed down from an 1843 Spanish land grant on a parcel now known as Taylor Ranch in the San Luis Valley.

For the 800 residents of tiny San Luis, it was the end of a long-running saga that pitted a dirt-poor Hispanic community against millionaire out-of-state landowners. At stake was a 77,500-acre tract of land in the shadow of Culebra Peak. Descendants of the original settlers on the land grant now will be able to graze cattle and collect firewood there.

The 14,047-foot Culebra Peak and surrounding ranch land, about 150 miles southwest of Colorado Springs, became a part of the United States in 1848

after the Mexican-American War. Residents of San Luis, the oldest Colorado settlement, used it for hunting, grazing, and gathering wood to build and heat their adobe homes.

The battle began in 1960 after the late North Carolina timberman Jack Taylor bought the land, including the mountain. Taylor put up a fence and ordered trespassers be shot. There were frequent reports of tensions and beatings between those at the ranch and the valley residents. The ranch's owners, including former Enron executive Lou Pai, asked the high court Sept. 5 to consider the case.

With the Supreme Court challenge scuttled, the descendants and the current owners must agree on a management plan for the property, as ordered by the state court, before access is allowed. They also must trace property titles back to when the settlers first arrived under a land grant from Mexico since only current property holders who are descendants have access rights.

You can read more about this at [www.azcentral.com/news/articles/1211taylorranch-ON.html](http://www.azcentral.com/news/articles/1211taylorranch-ON.html)

*[From Richard Eastman's Online Newsletter, Dec 15, 2003]*

### MAINE TOWNS ARE DISSOLVING

If you have ancestry in small towns in Maine, you may want to be aware that the towns are disappearing. The town of Madrid (which is not pronounced the same as the city in Spain,) with a population of 180, unincorporated in the year 2000. Atkinson, a town of about 330 people, is in the midst of dissolving the town government now. The tiny town of Centerville in Washington County, with a population of only 25 people, has started the paperwork to do the same. The town of Cooper in Washington County has also expressed interest in de-organizing. According to Doreen Sheive, administrator in Augusta, Maine's unorganized territories currently include 417 townships and 76 offshore islands, which cover roughly half the state.

"They've got absolutely nothing. They don't have any fire department. They don't have a police department. No water department. No sewer department. There's nothing," said Rep. Jim Annis of neighboring Dover-Foxcroft, who wrote the bill proposing Atkinson's de-organization. The town's residents cite a growing tax load with few residents to share in the tax burdens. The state's property tax is based on a tradition of old English law, where municipalities are responsible for assessing prop-

erty value and taxing it. In western and mid-western states with unorganized territory, tax is often assessed at a county level.

The town records of these now-defunct governments will be moved to the Maine State Archives.

It does seem ironic that in the midst of high population growth and expansion in much of the United States, small towns in Maine and probably elsewhere are shutting down their local governments.

*[From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2004 by Richard W. Eastman]*

### SENDING MONEY OVERSEAS—PART TWO

It has been pointed out to me after last month's article, that there may be a better way to do this and several people in EGS have used it.

One of the places you can order foreign drafts is from International Currency Express, 427 North Camden Drive, #F, Beverly Hills, CA 90210, or call 888-278-6628 toll free. Their website is [www.foreignmoney.co/rates.htm](http://www.foreignmoney.co/rates.htm). There is a charge of \$5.00 for the check in the currency of your choice at the current exchange rate.

Another suggestion is sending an American Express money order (about \$.75 at Albertson's) in American dollars. Reportedly this is acceptable overseas because American Express is world-wide and there is no problem cashing the money order at one of their offices.

*[Submitted by Gloria Brown and from the EGS Bulletin Board, June 2000]*

### GLEBE HOUSE TO BE SOLD

The National Genealogical Society has officially announced that it will be selling its historic Arlington, Virginia headquarters and moving to leased office space nearby.

The announcement follows articles regarding NGS's precarious financial footing after disclosures that "expenditures were much greater than revenues and reserves had been spent to compensate" and dismissal "without cause" of the Executive Director. In a March 2004 press release, the Board of Directors announced they had voted unanimously to sell the historic property. Proceeds of the sale of the property will be used to stabilize the Society's finances, cover current expenses, and directed toward enhancement of the Society's website.

Built in 1855, Glebe House is listed on Virginia's Historic Landmarks Register as well as the National Register of Historic Places and was donated to NGS in 1986 by an Arlington developer. A carriage house was built in 1987 to be the Society's sizeable

library. Assessed value for house and land is listed at \$1.4 million.

After Glebe House is sold, NGS will move its offices to a nearby location, and the remaining library books will be shipped to the St. Louis County Library where they will be added to the existing NGS Circulating Book Collection.

*[From Family Chronicle, May/June 2004]*

### WEBSITES TO TRY

- **International Genealogical Index (IGI)** entries (at [Familysearch.org](http://Familysearch.org)) sorted by German Town Names (Batch Numbers): [igi.wahler.org](http://igi.wahler.org)
- **The Gateway to Vermont** website is an excellent resource for anyone with ancestors in that state.  
[www.rootsweb.com/~vermont/VERMONTGATEWAY.html](http://www.rootsweb.com/~vermont/VERMONTGATEWAY.html)
- **Center for Basque Studies** University of Nevada-Reno  
[basque.unr.edu](http://basque.unr.edu)
- **Portuguese-English Dictionary**  
[www.freedict.com/onldict/por.html](http://www.freedict.com/onldict/por.html)
- **Portugal Atlas**  
[atlas.isegi.unl.pt/website/atlas/din/viewer.htm](http://atlas.isegi.unl.pt/website/atlas/din/viewer.htm)
- **Spanish Archives**  
[www.cultura.mecd.es/archivos](http://www.cultura.mecd.es/archivos)
- **Civil War Preservation Trust [CWPT]** Endangered American Civil War battlefields.  
[www.civilwar.org](http://www.civilwar.org)

### NEW MEMBERS

We have 3 new members to EGS this month. Barbara Raemer is researching McGinnis, Raemer, Watkins, Wilson, Cary, and Cline in PA, Ireland, and Germany.

The others are Gene Hopp and Ingeborg Schmitt, but no information on their areas of research was available.

Please welcome them to our Society.

*[From Dorothy Mehrer, Membership Chair]*

### TERRORISM IN U.S. DID NOT START IN 2001

We often hear people exclaim that the world has changed since September 11, 2001. However, this view ignores the fact that terrorism has always been with us. Our ancestors frequently lived with terrorism as a part of their daily lives.

This was brought to mind when I recently looked at an online picture of a terrorist attack in

### FREE GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH HELP:

Genealogical research help is available at the Bellevue Regional Library at NE 12<sup>th</sup> St. and 110<sup>th</sup> Ave. NE in Bellevue. Eastside Genealogical Society volunteers are waiting to help you with problems and questions. They are available in room 6 on the second floor of the library, to the left of the reference desk. Hours are Tuesdays from 7-9 PM and Wednesdays from 1-3 PM.

New York City. Terrorism in New York City sounds familiar, except that the photograph was taken in 1920. Around noon on September 16, 1920, a bomb exploded outside the J.P. Morgan Building, just across from the New York Stock Exchange on Wall Street. Thirty-three people in the lunch-time crowd were killed and 400 injured. The bomb had been placed on a horse-drawn cart.

An \$80,000 reward was offered, but none of the culprits were ever caught. Speculation accused the anarchists who had been responsible for a number of earlier bombings in the city.

You can view the photograph at [www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/photofrm3.htm](http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/photofrm3.htm). It will remind you of more recent terrorist attacks.

[From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2004 by Richard W. Eastman]

### SUPPLY TABLE

This month we received a book that many people of Swedish ancestry have waiting for. I'm referring to *Cradled in Sweden* by Carl-Erik Johansson. Many researchers feel that this book is the definitive guide to Swedish research.

We have also received some copies of Cyndi Howell's new book, *Planting Your Family Tree on the Internet*. Cyndi explains how to go about placing your family research on a website. She gives the do and don'ts involved too. You don't have to be a "computer geek" to follow her instructions. Anyone can make a website after reading this very informative book.

It's been a while since we have had family tree charts available. We have one now that is erasable if you find that you have made a mistake and claimed an ancestor who doesn't belong to you. It sells for only \$16 and comes with the pen and instructions for "erasing" the ink.

Please come by the table during the meetings and see what is new. If you have any suggestions for books, I'm always open to them.

[From Carol Pattison, Supply Table Chair]

### THE NATIONAL ARCHIVIST

The National Archivist provides online access to a unique collection of archives from the United Kingdom. The site has extensive online databases of interest to genealogists. Some of the databases contain digital images of original registers, entry books, indexes, and publications, all reproduced under license from The National Archives and other organizations. Some of the archives are free of charge while others require a fee to view. Fees start at 20 UK pence (approx 32 US cents) to view a single document.

Here is a brief list of some of the original records that are available online:

- Army List 1798
- Births, Marriages and Deaths at Sea 1854 - 1890
- Harts Army List 1840 and 1888
- Index to Death Duty Registers 1796 - 1903
- Index to Divorce and Matrimonial Causes 1858 - 1903
- Indian Army & Civil Service List July 1873
- Kelly's Handbook (To the Titled, Landed & Official Classes) 1901
- Peninsula Medal Roll 1793 to 1814
- Registers of Names of Passport Applications 1851 to 1862 and 1874 to 1903
- The Bengal Civil Service Graduation List 1869
- The Clergy List 1896
- The Dental Surgeons Directory 1925
- The East India Company's Commercial Marine Service Pensions List 1793 to July 1833
- The Indian Office List 1933
- Waterloo Roll Call 1815

Searching the databases is free. That will confirm that there is a document for the person, date, and place that you seek. However, to view the original documents, you must set up an account and pre-pay to obtain a certain number of credits. You can set up an account online for as little as £7.00, using a credit card. A full listing of fees may be found at [www.nationalarchivist.com/faq.cfm#cost](http://www.nationalarchivist.com/faq.cfm#cost)

The National Archivist is owned by Trusted

Third Party Limited, an independent UK registered company that provides digitized images of original records from The National Archives and other organizations under license. This website is not operated by or affiliated with The National Archives in any way.

For more information, or to search the databases of the National Archivist, go to [nationalarchivist.com](http://nationalarchivist.com).

*[From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2004 by Richard W. Eastman]*

### INTERNET REPLACES SYMBOL OF KNOWLEDGE

These are lonely days for encyclopedias. At libraries, volumes sit ignored as information-seeking patrons tap away at computers. Even in the warmth of a loving home, that set of hard-bound books that once represented the crown tool of a good education gets the cold shoulder.

In the age of the Internet, encyclopedias are gathering dust. Most families with young children don't even consider buying the space-hogging printed sets anymore. Even digital versions sit unused.

Children often know their way around a computer before they can even read and the Word Wide Web makes even CD-ROM versions seem antiquated.

"The Internet was really the fifth nail in the coffin— not the first," said the former chief executive of Encyclopedia Britannica, now an independent consultant for digital media. Reference providers such as Collier's and Funk and Wagnalls collapsed, while others were swallowed by rivals. Privately held Britannica, first published in 1768, saw print sales drop 60% in the 1990's and ended door-to-door sales in 1996. The company now charges libraries and individual subscribers for complete access to Britannica.com. They would not disclose current figures, but said its 32-volume print productions are far less than the 100,000-unit annual sales of the 1980s.

The reference powers that survived the shake-out, Britannica, World Book and Grolier (Encyclopedia Americana,) have retooled to focus more on online products.

With so much free online information, including proprietary databases for which libraries pay for the public's use, families say encyclopedias seem unnecessary.

*[Excerpted from an article by May Wong in the Seattle Times, March 9, 2004]*



### WRITING TIPS—OR BREAKING THOSE TYPING HABITS

Here are a few writing tips for those who, like me, learned keyboarding skills on the typewriter.

- Don't use two spaces after punctuation. Key only one space after all types of punctuation. Word processing software uses proportionally spaced fonts; not mono spaced fonts as in a typewriter. Double spaces after any form of punctuation are distracting for the reader.
- Don't underline. Use italics instead. This is yet another holdover from our typewriter days since typewriters couldn't italicize. If using italics for emphasis, restrict your usage to less than a sentence if possible. Underline only when writing longhand or when using a typewriter.
- Don't use hyphens. Use em or en dashes as appropriate. (The en dash is slightly longer than the hyphen but not as long as the em dash. It is, in fact, the width of a typesetter's letter "N," whereas the em dash is the width of the letter "M"—thus their names.) Within a sentence, don't add any spaces on either side of hyphens, en dashes and em dashes. For more details go to the web site: [www.getitwriteonline.com](http://www.getitwriteonline.com) then select Resources/Tip Archive/then En Dashes and Em Dashes.
- Don't use straight quotes. Use "curly" or "smart" quotation marks (they are typically the default in most word processing software.) Again, straight quotes are a holdover from our typewriter days. Use straight quotes as symbols to denote minutes, seconds, feet and inches only in charts and tables.

It does take a bit of focus to re-train our fingers to key just one space after punctuation, but it is possible! Here are some tools that might help.

When using MS WORD, go to menu items Tools/ Options/Spelling & Grammar, a dialog box will appear, select Grammar Settings. A smaller dialog box will appear and one of the first few options you can select are the number of spaces you

prefer after each sentence. The default is typically 1. If you have it set at 2, you can change it to 1 now.

If your Grammar Setting option for spacing at the end of sentences shows 1, then you can use the Spelling and Grammar "checker" to catch each occurrence of double spaces in your document. You can correct one, or all of these errors automatically. A real time saver when you're trying to re-train your fingers.

[From an article by Moira E. Conner, in the Fiske Genealogical Foundation Newsletter, June 2003, volume 10, number 4]

### ENGLISH-SCOTTISH BORDERS PEOPLE MAY BE DESCENDED FROM AFRICANS

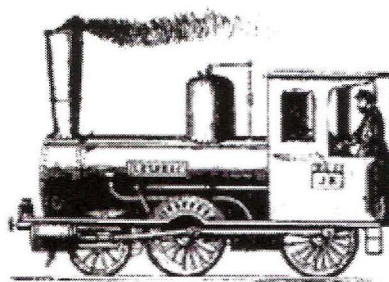
We all tend to make certain assumptions about race when reading about history or researching ancestors. Many of us think of international travel as a relatively recent phenomenon of the past few centuries. However, that is not true. In fact, mankind has been roaming around the globe apparently since the beginning of the species.

David Derbyshire wrote an interesting article that appears in the 11 June 2004 edition of *The Daily Telegraph*. Derbyshire points out that the Romans maintained a colony of African soldiers in England nearly 2,000 years ago. These soldiers patrolled Hadrian's Wall. Archaeologists say there is compelling evidence that a 500-strong unit of Moors manned a fort near Carlisle in the third century AD.

Archaeologists believe that these Africans settled in the area and raised families. Richard Benjamin, an archaeologist at Liverpool University who has studied the history of black Britons, is calling for a major study of black Roman Britons. He believes that DNA tests of locals could reveal genetic links with modern-day North Africans, while skeletons of Romans found in the area might contain telltale

clues to their origins. Read the entire story at *The Daily Telegraph's* Web site at [tinyurl.com/2fypg](http://tinyurl.com/2fypg).

[From Eastman's Online Genealogy Newsletter and is copyright 2004 by Richard W. Eastman]



A government which robs Peter to pay Paul can always depend on the support of Paul. -George Bernard Shaw

### The Pyramid of Life

2 Parents

4 Grandparents

8 Great Grandparents

16 Great Great Grandparents

32 Great Great Great Grandparents

64 Great Great Great Great Grandparents

128 Great Great Great Great Great Grandparents

256 Great Great Great Great Great Great Grandparents

512 Great Great Great Great Great Great Great Grandparents

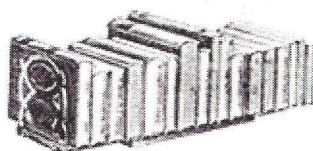
1024 Great Great Great Great Great Great Great Great Grandparents

Your total number of direct line ancestors through 10 generations is 2046

Makes you wonder, doesn't it?

## EGS MEETING CALENDAR

| EGS Group Name<br><i>Regular Schedule</i>                      | Meeting Notice<br><i>(Information Contact)</i>                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| EGS Board Meeting<br>(First Thursday 10:00 AM)                 | The EGS Board will meet on July 1st at 10:00 AM in the Redmond Public Library.                                                                                                               |
| EGS General Meeting<br>(Second Thursday, 7:00 PM)              | The Eastside Genealogical Society will hold its general meeting on Thursday, July 8th at 7:00 PM in the Bellevue Regional Library. The Supply Table opens at 6:30 PM.                        |
| Computer Interest Group<br>(Fourth Saturday, 9:30 AM)          | Will meet Saturday, July 24th at 9:30 AM in the Community Room at Crossroads Mall .<br>(Ray French, 425-746-7730, rayf@oz.net)                                                               |
| Czech/Slovak Interest Group<br>(Check EGS Bulletin each month) | Will meet August 8th at 9:30 AM at Fire Station #22 in Houghton.<br>(Rosie Bodien, 425-828-0170, rosie@bodien.org.                                                                           |
| EGS Lunch Bunch<br>(Fourth Thursday, 11:30 AM)                 | Meets every fourth Thursday at Crossroads Food Court.<br>(Call Myra McDowell at 425-641-4650 or mcdowellml@yahoo.com)                                                                        |
| German Interest Group<br>(First Friday, 1:00 PM)               | There will be no meetings in July or August.<br>( Maxine Klink @ marymaxklink@comcast.net                                                                                                    |
| Italian Interest Group<br>(Third Saturday, 1:30 PM)            | Will meet Saturday, July 17th at 10:00 AM to go to the new Seattle Public Library. There will be no meeting in August.<br>(Contact Mary Sangalang, 425-649-2250 or collectingroots@att.net ) |
| Scandinavian Interest Group<br>(Second Tuesday, 10:00 AM)      | Will meet Tuesday, July 13th at 10:00AM to noon in the Regional Archives Bldg. at Bellevue Community College. (Carol Owings 425-641-9930 or owings30@msn.com)                                |
| Shore to Shore Interest Group<br>(Third Thursday, 10:00 AM )   | Will meet on July 15th to go to NARA and the Seattle Genealogical Society by carpool.<br>(Call Jan Henderson 425-483-0334)                                                                   |
| Snoqualmie Valley [located]<br>General Research Group          | Meet in member's homes. Call for information.<br>(Ann Lamb, 425-557-0440, annl7777@aol.com)                                                                                                  |



| LOCATION ADDRESSES                                                                                           |                                                                                                     |                                                                                    |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Bellevue Regional Library<br>NE 12th St. and 110th Ave. NE<br>Bellevue, WA 425-450-1760                      | Crossroads Mall Shopping Center<br>Community Meeting Room<br>NE 8th and 156th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA. | FHC - Bellevue<br>10675 NE 20th St.<br>Bellevue, WA 425-454-2690                   |
| FHC - Kirkland<br>7910 NE 132nd St.<br>Kirkland, WA 425-821-8781                                             | Issaquah Public Library<br>140 East Sunset Way<br>Bellevue, WA 425-392-5430                         | Lake Hills Library<br>15528 Lake Hills Blvd. SE<br>Bellevue, WA 425-747-3350       |
| National Archives and Records Admin.<br>6125 Sand Point Way NE<br>Seattle, WA 98115-7999                     | LDS Fam. History Center-Factoria<br>4200 124th Ave. SE<br>Bellevue, WA 425-562-0361                 | LDS Fam. Hist. Center - Redmond<br>10115 172nd Ave. NE<br>Redmond, WA 425-881-7488 |
| Newport Way Library<br>14520 SE Newport Way<br>Bellevue WA 425-747-2390                                      | North Bend Library<br>115 East Fourth St<br>North Bend, WA 425-888-0554                             | Redmond Regional Library<br>15990 NE 85th St<br>Redmond, WA                        |
| Wa State Puget Sound Regional Archives<br>BCC, 3000 Landerholm SE, MS-100<br>Bellevue, WA 98007 425-564-3940 | Seattle Public Library<br>1000 Fourth Ave<br>Seattle, WA 206-386-4636                               | Snoqualmie Public Library<br>38580 SE River Street<br>Snoqualmie, WA 425-888-1223  |
| Firehouse #22<br>6602 108th Ave NE<br>Kirkland, WA                                                           |                                                                                                     |                                                                                    |

---

**2004 CALENDAR OF UPCOMING SEMINARS AND EVENTS**

---

- July 10                      Whitewater, Wisconsin: The German Interest Group-Wisconsin is sponsoring a German genealogy workshop, "Insights in Your German Past." Roger Minert will speak on four German research topics. For more information see the GIG web page at: [www.rootsweb.com/~wigig/index.html](http://www.rootsweb.com/~wigig/index.html)
- July 11-17                  Washington, D.C.: The National Institute on Genealogical Research (NIGR) offers on-site and in-depth examination of the common and less-known federal records. This intensive week-long study opportunity is for experienced genealogists and for archivists, historians and librarians interested in using federal records for genealogical research. It is not an introductory course in genealogy. Details may be found at: [www.rootsweb.com/~natgenin/](http://www.rootsweb.com/~natgenin/)
- July 17                      Tacoma, WA: Heritage Quest Research Library presents Summer Quest 2004, on Saturday July 17th at Tacoma Elks, 1965 South Union Ave., Tacoma, WA 9:00am to 3:00 pM featuring Leland Meitzler on "The Elusive Ancestor, The Search Continues." For more information go to [www.hqrl.com](http://www.hqrl.com).
- August 1-5                  Richmond, Virginia: The Virginia Genealogical Society will host the 7th Virginia Institute of Genealogical Research. The 4-day retreat and intensive immersion will offer two tracks: 1) Introduction to Virginia Research, and 2) Virginia and Their Land. For details, contact VGS at [mail@vgs.org](mailto:mail@vgs.org)
- August 8-14                Fort Wayne, Indiana: California Genealogical Society is sponsoring its first Allen County Public Library Research Tour to Fort Wayne, IN. Two experienced researchers are volunteering their time to give individualized assistance. For more information call 510-663-1358.
- August 20-21              Denver Colorado: The Colorado Council of Genealogical Societies presents: "Connections...With Your Families, With Your Friends", a two-day seminar featuring Thomas Jones, Ph.D., CG, Gladys Friedman Paulin, CGRS, and Pamela Boyer Porter, CGRS, CGL, with noted regional speakers supplementing the lecture schedule. Two tracks of lectures, regional exhibitors, local societies, all will be present to provide an outstanding genealogical experience for area researchers. Details may be found at [www.rootsweb.com/~coccgs/dCalendar.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~coccgs/dCalendar.htm)
- September 8-11            Austin, Texas: The Federation of Genealogical Studies (FGS) will hold its annual conference. For information go to [www.fgs.org](http://www.fgs.org).
- September 18-24          Miami, Florida: Legacy Family Tree is sponsoring a genealogy cruise this fall. Sail away on a seven-day Western Caribbean cruise aboard Carnival's stately *Triumph*. While sailing, you will learn professional genealogical techniques and how to apply them by using the many powerful features of Legacy Family Tree and other programs. Details may be obtained from [KenMcGinnis@MillenniaCorp.com](mailto:KenMcGinnis@MillenniaCorp.com)
- September 25-Oct 16      Ireland: Fiske Genealogical Foundation and Library is planning a three week research trip to Ireland. Details are on the Fiske website at [www.fiskelibrary.org](http://www.fiskelibrary.org).
- October 2                   Grand Rapids, Michigan: The Western Michigan Genealogical Society (WMGS) is celebrating its 50th anniversary from October 2003 - October 2004. This celebration will culminate in a one-day Conference - "Got Ancestors?!" along with a banquet. Speakers include Dick Eastman, Joan Griffin, and Shirley De Boer. Dick Eastman will also speak at the Saturday evening banquet. Details are available at: [www.GotAncestors.com](http://www.GotAncestors.com)
- October 1-3                Salem, Oregon: Genealogical Council of Oregon presents "A Wealth of Records and Resources" 2004 State Conference at the Red Lion Hotel in Salem, Oregon, featuring Craig Scott, CGRS. More information go to [www.rootsweb.com/~orgco/index.htm](http://www.rootsweb.com/~orgco/index.htm)
- October 15-18              Houston, Texas: Czechoslovak Genealogical Society International, together with the Texas Czech Genealogical Society the host organization, will hold the 9th CGSI Genealogical Conference at the Omni Houston Hotel Westside in Houston Texas October 15-18 2003. General Information about the 2003 Houston Conference is shown on [CGSI.org](http://CGSI.org).



**EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY CONTACTS**

|                            |                  |              |                            |
|----------------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| President*                 | Bill Sperber     | 425-637-8139 | bsperber@nwlinc.com        |
| Vice President*            | Norb Ziegler     | 425-557-2108 | zieglerwa@sprintmail.com   |
| Secretary*                 | Barbara Zanzig   | 425-828-0380 | hertz@isomedia.com         |
| Treasurer*                 | Kay Wilson       | 425-746-4366 | kayjwilson@comcast.net     |
| Trustee*                   | Jackie Bushnell  | 425-481-1492 | jaquelyn@aol.com           |
| Past President*            | Gene Fagerberg   | 206-783-4649 | wefagerberg@jps.net        |
| Audit Chair*               | Ron Haworth      | 425-823-9887 | haworth@msn.com            |
| Education Chair*           | Carol Pattison   | 425-228-2510 | maycreek@aol.com           |
| Historian                  | Walta McCarley   | 425-746-7557 | wmccarley@yahoo.com        |
| Hospitality                | Mary Ellen Scott | 425-454-7896 | ellie454@comcast.net       |
| Library Chair*             | Winifred Sihon   | 425-746-3573 | wsihon@comcast.net         |
| Acquisitions               | Carl Cason       | 425-402-1635 | ccason621@msn.com          |
|                            | Sarah Fleming    | 425-957-1134 | sarah.r.fleming@boeing.com |
| Periodicals/Vertical Files | LaVola Schrum    | 425-747-2501 |                            |
| Volunteers                 |                  |              |                            |
| Meeting Set Up Chair       |                  |              |                            |
| Membership Chair*          | Dorothy Mehrer   | 425-822-7316 | dmehrer@aol.com            |
| Newsletter Editor*         | Pat Clarke       | 425-643-4855 | pbclarke@comcast.net       |
| News Contributors          | Mickey Main      | 425-747-2038 | mickeymain@comcast.net     |
|                            | Gloria Brown     | 425-746-1875 |                            |
|                            | Sharron Filer    | 425-885-7213 | n.sfiler@gte.net           |
| Newsletter Mailing         | Jim Flexer       | 425-747-3217 | jasblev@juno.com           |
| Nominating Chair*          | Maxine Klink     | 425-836-0930 | marymaxklink@comcast.net   |
|                            | Marty Gale       | 206-232-6471 | martygale@futuretense.net  |
| Program Chair*             | Judy Meredith    | 425-702-9321 | ja.meredith@verizon.net    |
| Program Summary            |                  |              |                            |
| Publicity                  |                  |              |                            |
| Representatives:           |                  |              |                            |
| DAR                        | Donna Hart       | 425-831-5978 | carldonna@earthlink.net    |
| AKCHO                      | Bob Sandbo       | 425-454-5606 | bobpat9@jps.net            |
| Bellevue Reg Library       | Pat Sandbo       | 425-454-5606 | bobpat9@jps.net            |
| FGS                        | Peter Robertson  | 206-236-2473 | pnrmerc@earthlink.net      |
| Sunshine Chair*            | Ielene Edmonson  | 425-454-1943 | jojo4@earthlink.net        |
| Supply Table Chair*        | Carol Pattison   | 425-228-2510 | maycreek@aol.com           |
| Surname File               | Jackie Bushnell  | 425-481-1492 | jaquelyn@aol.com           |
| Webmaster                  | Gordon Young     | 425-883-0500 | gyoung@seanet.com          |
| * EGS Board Member         |                  |              |                            |

**Interest Group Contacts**

|                   |                   |              |                            |
|-------------------|-------------------|--------------|----------------------------|
| Computer          | Ray French        | 425-746-7730 | rayf@oz.net                |
| Czech/Slovak      | Rosie Bodien      | 425-828-0170 | rosie@bodien.org           |
| German            | Maxine Klink      | 425-836-0930 | marymaxklink@comcast.net   |
| Italian           | Mary D. Sangalang | 425-649-2250 | collectingroots@att.net    |
| Irish             | Mary Magnuson     | 425-746-6627 | mari46@juno.com            |
| Lunch Bunch       | Myra McDowell     | 425-641-4650 | mcdowellml@yahoo.com       |
| Portuguese        | Barbara Guyl      | 425-746-5603 | guylbl@prodigy.net         |
| Scandinavian      | Carol Owings      | 425-641-9930 | Owings30@msn.com           |
| Shore to Shore    | Jan Henderson     | 425-483-0334 | jan.henderson1@comcast.net |
| Snoqualmie Valley | Ann Lamb          | 425-557-0440 | annl7777@aol.com           |



Eastside Genealogical Society  
P.O. Box 374  
Bellevue, WA 98009-0374

Non-Profit  
Organization  
US Postage Paid  
Issaquah, WA 98027  
Permit No. 601

8/1/04  
HARRIS & WALTER MCCARLEY  
15823 SE 5TH PL  
BELLEVUE WA 98008-4820

DATED MATERIAL

PLEASE DO NOT HOLD

3500844820

03

## THE EASTSIDE GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

### PURPOSE:

The EGS provides members a forum for learning and the exchange of information related to genealogy. The Society obtains and provides resources for use by members, encourages genealogical research and education, and provides community outreach through programs, classes, seminars and library volunteers.

### MEETINGS:

EGS monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month (except December) at 7:00 P.M. at the Bellevue Regional Library, NE 12th Street and 110th Ave. NE, Bellevue WA. The Supply/Book Table, get acquainted, browse, ask questions session is open at 6:30 P.M.

### MEMBERSHIP:

Effective 1 January 2001, membership dues are: Individual—\$17, Couple—\$22, Senior—\$15, Senior Couple, \$19, Lifetime—15 times annual membership. To join the society, send your check with your name, phone number, address (nine digit zip please) and e-mail address (if applicable) to the address at the bottom of this page.

### NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE:

The *Bulletin Board* is published each month, except December. Submission of news and articles to the *Bulletin Board* must be in writing and received **by the 15th of each month** for inclusion in the following month's newsletter. If you are unable to meet the deadline, please call Pat Clarke at 425-643-4855 to make special arrangements. Please mail submissions to: Pat Clarke, 6000 145th Ave SE, Bellevue WA 98006 or e-mail to: pbclarke@comcast.net. **Note:** The EGS Board and the *Bulletin Board* reserve the right to limit and prioritize event announcements, space permitting, to non-profit organization items of genealogical interest. Neither the EGS nor the editors of the *Bulletin Board* accept responsibility for errors of fact or judgment in the material submitted to and printed in the *Bulletin Board*. If errors are brought to our attention, we will try to correct them.

The *Bulletin Board* is a publication of:

The Eastside Genealogical Society  
P.O. Box 374  
Bellevue, WA 98009-0374